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SECRETARIAT HAS CIRCULATED EC COMMISSION AGENDA SUGGES-
TIONS FOR SEPT. 15 MEETING, WHICH ARE AS FOLLOWS:
1. FIELD OF APPLICATION OF THE INSTRUMENT
(A) LISTS OF PURCHASING ENTITIES DIRECTLY SUBJECT
TO THE INSTRUMENT
COMPOSITION OF THE LISTS - PROVISION FOR
MODIFYING OR EXPANDING THE LISTS, ON A
BASIS OF RECIPROCITY (COMPETENCE-PROCEDURES).
(B) DEROGATIONS
- DETERMINE WHICH COUNTRIES ATTACH VITAL IMPOR-
TANCE TO SECURING DEROGATIONS - DEFINE THEIR
SCOPE - EXAMPLE: PREFERENCES FOR SMBS, REGION-
AL PREFERENCES.

- CONSIDER WHETHER SUCH DEROGATIONS ARE NECES-
SARY, BEARING IN MIND THE LEVEL AND LOCATION
(IN PARAGRAPH 4) OF THE THRESHOLD.
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OTHER DEROGATIONS - EXAMPLES:
- BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CRISIS;
- RESERVING MARKETS FOR NATIONAL PRODUCTION IN THE CASE OF NASCENT INDUSTRIES, IN A DEVELOPING SIGNATORY COUNTRY FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIC SECTORS.

LIMITATION OVER TIME - SUPERVISION BY THE COMMITTEE OF SIGNATORY COUNTRIES.

2. MEMBERSHIP - WITHDRAWAL
- PROVISIONS TO BE INSERTED SO AS TO ENSURE THE INSTRUMENT IS AN OPEN ONE.
- ENTRY INTO EFFECT OF THE AGREEMENT AFTER RATIFICATION OF THE INSTRUMENT BY A MINIMUM NUMBER OF SIGNATORIES - PARTICIPATION OF KEY-COUNTRIES AN ESSENTIAL CONDITION.

- WHETHER OR NOT THERE SHOULD BE PROVISIONS REGARDING W WITHDRAWAL BY SIGNATORIES. EFFECT OF THE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE AGREEMENT OF KEY-COUNTRIES - WHAT HAPPENS IF THE NUMBER OF SIGNATORIES FALLS BELOW THE MINIMUM NUMBER?

3. FUTURE STATISTICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT
- FINALISING OF OBJECTIVES (PARAGRAPH 38).
- DEFINITION OF THE FRAMEWORK FOR ANNEX III (POSSIBLE CREATION OF A SUB-GROUP OF STATISTICAL EXPERTS).

4. SURVEILLANCE COMMITTEE
- COMPOSITION - POWERS - SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES.

5. TIMETABLE OF WORK
- EXAMINATION (IN CASE OF DEVELOPMENTS) OF THE SITUATION IN GATT REGARDING GOVERNMENT PURCHASING.
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